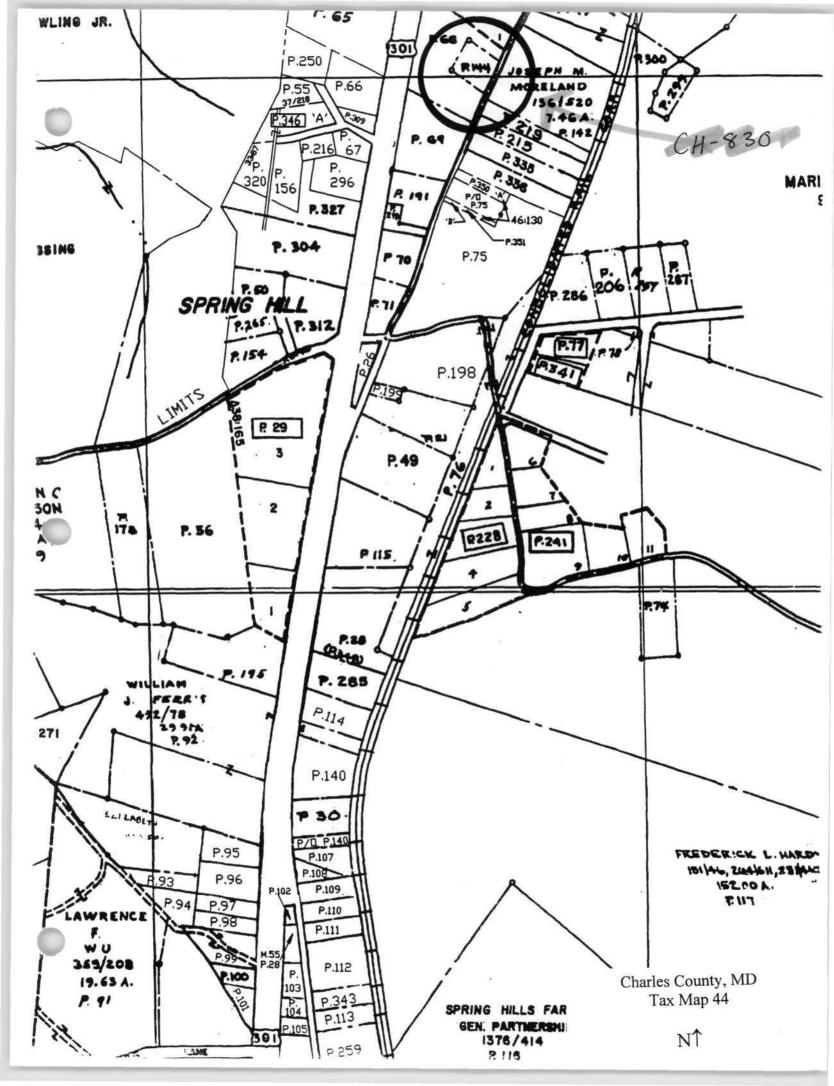
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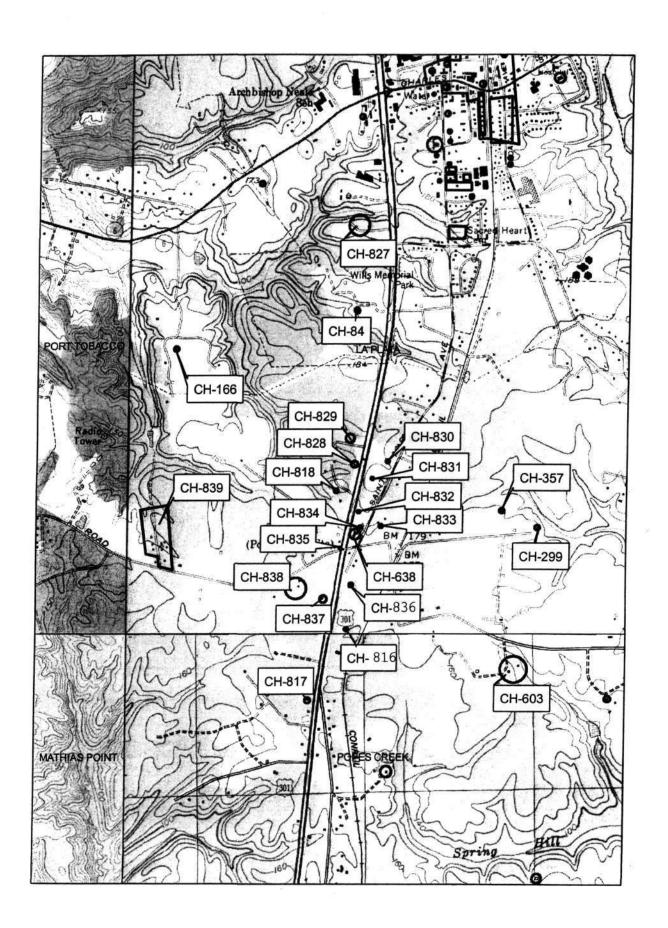
Property Name: Inventory Number: Ward CH - 830  Address: 7395 St. Mary's Avenue, Charles County - In the Vicinity of La Plata
Address: 7395 St. Mary's Avenue, Charles County - In the vicinity of La Plata
Owner: Frontiero, Jerome and Verna M.
Tax Parcel Number: 144 Tax Map Number: 44
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no _ yes Name: Date:
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended _X
CriteriaABCD Considerations:ABCDEFG _X None
Is property located within a historic district?: X no _ yes Name of District:
Is district listed?: X no _ yes
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)
7395 St. Mary's Avenue is a two-story, wood frame dwelling. The house is five bays wide and is covered by a side gable roof. A one-story, one-bay wing with a side gable roof extends to the south. A one-story wing also projects to the north. The side gable roof of the northern wings extends to a one-story, side gable roof garage, forming a covered passageway. A one-story, front gable roof, projecting bay forms the central entry. The entry is marked by a single-leaf, paneled door with paneled sidelights.
Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of Charles County. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway, later expanded as part of U.S. 301, attracted new development to older communities along its corridor. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to the Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s.
World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in La Plata's community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial
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development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s. Earlier trends in travelrelated services and entertainment along the Crain Highway grew somewhat when the highway was extended across the Potomac River to Virginia through southern Charles County and over the new Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, thus completing a route from New York to Florida.

Built circa 1920, this Colonial Revival-style house is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the residential development surrounding La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.







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